

## Agee names Greek CIA men

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Advance copies of an article by the former CIA agent Philip Agee, on the CIA presence in Greece, have been scooped up and studied by diplomats, Government officials, and members of Greece's Right and Left this weekend.

Titled "The American factor in Greece: old and new, the article appears in Saturday's Left-of-centre biweekly magazine, *Anti*. In it, Mr Agee names 64 Americans, with thumb-nail sketches, whom he claims are now CIA employees here, plus another 175, whom he alleges previously served in Greece.

Written in April 1976, the Agee article, presumed here to be a chapter in his upcoming book, lists only three people who now appear on the diplomatic list of the American Embassy. No one is identified as the replacement to the former CIA chief of station, Richard Welch, who was assassinated in December 1975 in Athens.

The Greek Government attempted to stop publication of the article, according to a member of the magazine's staff. The article is bound to be an embarrassment to the Karamanlis Government, and its publication comes at a sensitive time.

The initial Greek euphoria which accompanied the election of President Carter has given way to disillusion, as Washington has not performed the diplomatic miracles in solving Greece's outstanding problems with Turkey, which were expected by the Greeks.

Anti-Americanism has begun to smoulder again beneath the surface. The article is bound to be exploited by the country's increasingly sensitive Left and Right.

Opposition MPs are already discussing the options of demanding a parliamentary inquiry, and the summary expulsion of the 64 Americans from Greece. "President Carter himself has declared that the CIA

will no longer be permitted to engage in covert operations leading to the overthrow of foreign governments," said an Opposition MP, Virginia Tsonderou.

"And with such an excessive CIA staff in Athens, what could they be doing except interfering in the internal affairs of our country... especially when our own services are in such close liaison with them.

"We should certainly demand a clarification of what these people are doing and, following that, move for the expulsion of some. Any self-respecting government, whether of Karamanlis or Carter, must abandon this old-fashioned, antiquated policy of interference in any independent country's affairs."

"It's an open invitation to assassination," said a Conservative member of Mr Karamanlis's New Democracy Party, referring to the assassination of Mr Welch after his name was published in the Athens press. "But I'm staggered by the immensity of the CIA mission."